

October 24, 1978

Mr. Joseph I. Sauve
White Mtn. Gypsum Co.
115 South Dawson St.
Seattle, Washington 98108

Re: White Mtn. Gypsum Co.
Millard County, Utah
ACT/027/001

Dear Mr. Sauve:

On July 18, 1978 I wrote you a letter requesting some additional information regarding White Mountain Gypsum Company's mining and reclamation plan before tentative approval could be granted. The following week we received the commitment to Rule M-10 (MR Form 8). On August 16, 1978 Mr. Ken Migchelbrink was in our office to discuss your mining operation and the information still needed.

The Division received a map of the area on September 25, 1978. This map, however, does not show the location(s) of the 40 acres of the pit(s) to be mined within the 520 acres of claims which are marked on the map. During his visit, Mr. Migchelbrink indicated that approximately 2-3 feet of material would be stripped from about 10 acres of surface annually and that it was White Mountain Gypsum Co.'s intention to reclaim the disturbed areas on an annual basis in order to keep the reclamation surety as low as possible. To assist the Division in estimating the surety, we would like to know the location and dimensions of the pit(s) to be mined each year, along with premining and post mining cross-sections of the area showing any existing overburden to be removed prior to mining. Basically, what we need is a more detailed narrative of your mining operation and a more specific plan for reclamation. We still have not received the results of the soil analyses which were requested in July.

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Upon receipt of this information, tentative approval will be granted and an abbreviated version of White Mountain Gypsum Company's mining and reclamation plan will be published to solicit public comment. During the required 30 day waiting period after publication the Division will estimate a reclamation surety. If there are no adverse comments and the form and amount of surety are acceptable to both White Mountain Gypsum and the Board of Oil, Gas, and Mining, then final approval can be granted and mining may commence upon posting of the surety with the Division.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

JAMES W. SMITH, JR.
RECLAMATION SOILS SPECIALIST

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